



Municipal District of Bonnyville No. 87

Request for Decision (RFD)

Meeting: Regular Meeting of Council
Meeting Date: October 22, 2024
Originated By: Esther Quiambao, General Manager of Planning and Community Services
Title: 2024 Community Association Operating Grant Program Report

PROPOSAL & BACKGROUND

Administration has completed the comprehensive review of all submitted 2024 Community Association Operating Grant applications and has finalized the evaluation results for Council review and approval. The results were determined based on the submitted documentation and the program criteria identified in the associated Policy (see Appendix A).

DISCUSSION ON BENEFITS, DISADVANTAGES & OPTIONS

The highlights from this year's review are:

- 24 applications were received out of a possible 28 qualifying organizations.
- All submissions met the program requirements; however, some were reduced based on a smaller demonstrated financial need. If all were awarded, the total award would be \$608,400.
- The 2025 Community Association Operating Grant budget is \$500,000.

Based on the program's first come, first serve requirement, Administration has attached the evaluation results by the date all mandatory application documentation was submitted by the applicant and received by the M.D. of Bonnyville.

Attached for Council's information:

- Appendix A – Policy No. 3C.011 – Community Association Operating Grant Policy
- Appendix B – Evaluation Results of the 2024 M.D. Community Association Operating Grant

REFERENCE TO STRATEGIC PLAN

Goal 3: Promote Community Development

REFERENCE TO PROVINCIAL/FEDERAL LEGISLATION

n/a

COSTS & SOURCE OF FUNDING

2024 Program Operating Budget: \$500,000

Other Source of Funding options: Community Action Grant Reserve, Cash Flow Reserve

COMMUNICATIONS STRATEGY

All associated organizations will be notified in writing of Council's decision.

ADMINISTRATION RECOMMENDED ACTION

1. THAT Council approves the Community Association Operating Grant applications from the following eligible organizations, to be funded from the 2024 Operating Budget:
 - Riverhurst Community Hall \$ 25,000
 - Glendon Agricultural Society \$ 150,000
 - Cold Lake Regional Chamber of Commerce Association \$ 15,000
 - Sandy Rapids Community Club \$ 20,000
 - Flat Lake Community Hall Club \$ 25,000
 - Bonnyville Senior Citizen's Society \$ 15,000
 - Cold Lake Agricultural Society \$ 25,000
 - Fort Kent Community Centre Society \$ 23,900
 - North Shore Heights/Shaw Cho Bay Community Society \$ 4,500
 - Franchere Social Community Centre \$ 5,000
 - Goodridge Social and Agricultural Society \$ 25,000
 - Alexander Recreation Society \$ 25,000
 - Dupre Community League \$ 5,000
 - Bonnyville and District Historical Society \$ 25,000
 - Ardmore Community Society \$ 25,000
 - Cherry Grove Recreation and Agricultural Society \$ 25,000
 - Eastbourne Community Club \$ 25,000
 - Beaverdam Community Society \$ 25,000
 - Bonnyville & District Chamber of Commerce \$ 11,600

2. THAT Council denies the Community Association Operating Grant applications from the following eligible organizations based on the terms of the associated Policy No. 3C.011: Tri-Town Museum Society (o/a Cold Lake Museum Society), Willow Prairie Agricultural Society/Willow Prairie Senior Citizens Club, Cold Lake Senior Citizens Society, Glendon and District Senior Citizen's Club, and the Land of the Lakes Recreation Association.

COUNCIL OPTIONS

OPTION 1: *Recommended Action above as per policy parameters and 2024 Operating Budget.*

OPTION 2: *Proceed with the award of the full recommended values with additional funding sourced from reserves.*

THAT Council approves the Community Association Operating Grant applications by the following eligible organizations with \$500,000 to be funded from the 2024 Operating Budget and \$108,400 to be funded from the _____: (add all recommended award values presented in Appendix B).

OPTION 3: *Proceed with the award as per the 2024 Operating Budget but reduce some or all award values recommended by Administration in Appendix B.*

THAT Council approves the Community Association Operating Grant applications by the following eligible organizations to be funded from the 2024 Operating Budget: (add all groups from Appendix B with adjusted award values).

Report Approval Details

Document Title:	2024 Community Association Operating Grant Applications.docx
Attachments:	- Appendix A - 3C.011 Community Association Operating Grant Policy.pdf - Appendix B - Evaluation Results of the 2024 M.D. Community Association Operating Grant.pdf
Final Approval Date:	Oct 16, 2024

This report and all of its attachments were approved and signed as outlined below:

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